

**Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, December 9, 2021, Senate resume consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to S. 610, to address behavioral health and well-being among health care professionals; that if cloture is invoked on the motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, that it be as if invoked at 1 a.m., on Thursday, December 9, 2021; and that all time in adjournment, recess, morning business, and Leader remarks count post-cloture. **Page S9051**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 51 yeas to 50 nays, Vice President voting yea (Vote No. EX. 486), Rachael S. Rollins, of Massachusetts, to be United States Attorney for the District of Massachusetts for the term of four years.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 50 nays, Vice President voting yea (Vote No. EX. 485), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S9008**

By 58 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. EX. 488), Michael D. Smith, of Virginia, to be Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service. **Pages S9014–34**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 60 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. EX. 487), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S9014–15**

Jennifer Clyburn Reed, of South Carolina, to be Federal Cochairperson of the Southeast Crescent Regional Commission. **Page S9040**

Routine lists in the Coast Guard. **Page S9040**

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**Record Votes:** Five record votes were taken today. (Total—489) **Pages S9008, S9014–15, S9034**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:16 p.m., until 11:30 a.m. on Thursday,

December 9, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9051.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of John Bradley Sherman, of Texas, to be Chief Information Officer, Ashish S. Vazirani, of Maryland, to be a Deputy Under Secretary, and Carrie Frances Ricci, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, all of the Department of Defense, and 1,772 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force.

### NOMINATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Admiral Christopher W. Grady, USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

### PROTECTING KIDS ONLINE

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Data Security concluded a hearing to examine protecting kids online, focusing on Instagram and reforms for young users, after receiving testimony from Adam Mosseri, Meta Platforms Inc., Menlo Park, California.

### PITTMAN–ROBERTSON WILDLIFE RESTORATION ACT

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2372, to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to make supplemental funds available for management of fish and wildlife species of greatest conservation need as determined by State fish and wildlife agencies, after receiving testimony from Senators Heinrich and Blunt; Sara Parker Pauley, Missouri Department of Conservation Director, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies; Daniel M. Ashe, Association of Zoos and Aquariums, Silver Spring, Maryland; Collin O'Mara, National Wildlife Federation, Merrifield, Virginia; and Jonathan Wood, Property and Environment Research Center, Bozeman, Montana.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Maria Louise Lago, of

New York, to be Under Secretary for International Trade, and Lisa W. Wang, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Commerce.

#### TAIWAN

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the future of United States policy on Taiwan, after receiving testimony from Daniel J. Kritenbrink, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and Ely Ratner, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Indo-Pacific Security Affairs.

#### ADDRESSING VIOLENCE IN NATIVE COMMUNITIES

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine addressing violence in Native communities through VAWA Title IX special jurisdiction, after receiving testimony from Allison L. Randall, Principal Deputy Director, Office on Violence Against Women, Department of Justice; Wizipan Garriott, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior;

J. Michael Chavarria, Santa Clara Pueblo, Espanola, New Mexico; Fawn R. Sharp, National Congress of American Indians, Washington, D.C.; Stacie Fourstar, Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes, Poplar, Montana; Elizabeth A. Reese, Stanford Law School, Stanford, California; and Michelle Demmert, Alaska Native Women's Resource Center, Fairbanks.

#### NOMINATION

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Kurt D. DelBene, of Washington, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology), after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Murray, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 30 public bills, H.R. 6172–6201; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 843–845, were introduced. **Pages H7554–56**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7556–57**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3537, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to support research on, and expanded access to, investigational drugs for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–207);

H.R. 5561, to reauthorize a program for early detection, diagnosis, and treatment regarding deaf and hard-of-hearing newborns, infants, and young children, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–208);

H.R. 5551, to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–209);

H.R. 5487, to improve research and data collection on stillbirths, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–210);

H.R. 4555, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize a public education campaign across all relevant programs of the Health Resources and Services Administration to increase oral health literacy and awareness (H. Rept. 117–211);

H.R. 1193, to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to direct the Director of the National Institutes of Health, in consultation with the Director of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, shall establish a program under which the Director of the National Institutes of Health shall support or conduct research on valvular heart disease, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 117–212);

H.R. 1667, to address behavioral health and well-being among health care professionals, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–213); and

H.R. 3320, to amend title VII of the Public Health Service Act to authorize assistance for increasing workforce diversity in the professions of physical therapy, occupational therapy, respiratory therapy, audiology, and speech-language pathology, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–214). **Page H7554**